Data Resources and Links

Tools:

- 30 East Steps
  http://www.nde.state.ne.us/0405brochure.pdf

  A brochure that provides easy understanding of how to access the data on the State of the Schools Report

- Improving Learning for Children with disabilities (ILCD) Data Training

- Quick Facts – Data Brochure (definitions and purposes)
  http://www.nde.state.ne.us/starts/STARSSummary.html

  A brochure giving quick facts, definitions and purposes of data sources and uses in the school improvement process

- Preparing Data for the CIP
  http://www.nde.state.ne.us/data/preparingdata.ppt

- Taking Your Data to the Laundry – Ensuring Accuracy
  https://www.ideadata.org/docs/TakingYourDatatotheLaundry.doc

  A guide to ensuring accuracy in data being collected and submitted.

- Using Data for the Improvement of Student Learning
  http://www.nde.state.ne.us/data/usingdata.ppt

Links to Data Sources/Data Information Guides:

- AYP Guidance
  http://www.nde.state.ne.us/stars/STARSImplementation.htm

  What is it? This guidance was designed to help districts understand the process and procedures of the AYP data. Nebraska's student performance goals are listed through 2013-14 school year.

- Assessment Contact Database
  http://www.nde.state.ne.us/ciptoolkit/documents/contactsonly.pdf

  What is it? The database of school district assessment contacts NDE uses – these are people who deal with reporting student performance in their districts

Why go there? Networking tool – contacts for districts that may be of similar size and have the same data problems.

- Best Evidence Encyclopedia
  http://www.bestevidence.org

  What is it? The Best Evidence Encyclopedia is a free web site created by the Johns Hopkins University School of Education's Center for Data-Driven Reform in Education (CDDRE) under funding from the Institute of Education Sciences, U.S. Department of Education.

  Why go there? It is intended to give educators and researchers fair and useful information about the strength of the evidence supporting a variety of programs available for students in grades K-12, including reading, math, and comprehensive school reform.

- EIMAC (Education Information Management Access Consortium) of the Council of Chief State School Officers
  http://www.ccsso.org/Projects/education_information_management_advisory_consotirum/5788.cfm

  What is it? A collection of resources for education information and management.

  Why go there? Source of national data and information on data management.

- IDEA (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act) Data
  https://www.ideadata.org/index.html

  What is it? Website providing national statistics about children with disabilities.

  Why go there? Obtain the most recent national data collected through the IDEA

- NAEP (National Assessment of Educational Progress)
  http://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard

  What is it? The website for providing information and results from the National Assessment of Educational Progress.

  Why go there? To see performance results of students from all states on the NAEP test.

- NCA – School Improvement (North Central Association)
  http://www.nde.state.ne.us/NCA/NCA.html

  What is it? Regional school district accreditation agency.

  Why go there? Source of information about Nebraska's accreditation requirements.

- NCES (National Center for Education Statistics) Website
  http://nces.ed.gov

  What is it? Collects and maintains data for all national data collections.

  Why go there? Provides State and national data for reference purposes.

- Nebraska Student Staff Record System (NSSRS)
  http://www.nde.state.ne.us/nssrs

  What is it? Nebraska's individual student and staff record system.

  Why go there? Resources to help understand the system, collections, timelines, etc.

- STARS Updates (guidance on assessment and reporting)
  http://www.nde.state.ne.us/stars/index.html#updates

  What is it? Series of written materials issued three times a year providing implementation guidance on the School-based Assessment and Reporting System.

  Why go there? To get guidance and answers to questions about assessment procedures and reporting issues.

- State of the Schools Report (Report Card)
  http://reportcard.nde.state.ne.us/Main/Home.aspx

  What is it? Nebraska's display of information on all districts and schools.

  Why go there? To obtain the most current information about Nebraska's schools.

- State of the Schools Report Data Download
  http://reportcard.nde.state.ne.us/Main/DataDownload.asp

  What is it? Files containing the data displayed on the State of the Schools Report.

  Why go there? To obtain current data about Nebraska's schools.

- U.S. Department of Education Family Education Rights Privacy Act (FERPA)
  http://www.ed.gov/policy/den/guid/fpco/ferpa/index.html

  What is it? Guidelines for protecting the confidentiality of student information.

  Why go there? To ensure data systems protect the confidentiality of personally identifiable student information.

- U.S. Department of Education Guidance on Data Quality
  http://www.ed.gov/admins/lead/acccount/saa.html#guidance

  What is it? U.S. Department of Education's guidance on data quality for states and district's data collection systems to meet the requirements of No Child Left Behind.

  Why go there? Advice and guidelines on collecting and managing quality data systems.